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(Information from Bureau of Home Economics, USDA)

Suggestions

1. For successful dyeing, take time, follow directions.

2. Any of three kinds of household dyes - powder, cake,

liquia - can give successful results if used correctly. 3. Buy right kind of dye for fabric. Some are fast to wool & silk, not to cotton, linen, or rayon. Some are fast to washing, but not to sunlight or perspiration. Wccl & pure silk take dyes better than other fabrics.

Fabrics faded & streaked by sun will not dye evenly unless dyed very dark color or black. (over)

Procedure

- 1. Remove all trimmings, buttons; rip out hems, pleats, linings, so dye can penetrate garment evenly.
- 2. Remove all spots & stains; wash fabric well in soap & water, rinse thoroughly. If fabric is new, wash to remove starch, filling, or sizing.
- 3. Follow directions on package to the letter.

Equipment

- 1. Kettle of granite or agateware, large enough so fabrics can move about in dye water freely. Use plenty of water. Soft water gives best results.
- 2. Scales, to weigh material before it is wet to judge amount of dye needed.
- 3. Long smooth rod of wood or glass for stirring. Fabric must be kept in constant motion during dyeing. CT-58

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